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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE HOSPITAL SHIP OUTRAGE.

Splendid Behaviour by Wounded Men.

London, January 10.

Details of the torpedoing of the hospital ship Rova are to hand. The extinction of the light after the explosion hampered the work of rescue and the discovery of a piece of candle in a seaman's locker proved invaluable. All aboard were transferred to the boats in fifty minutes. The solicitude for the wounded was remarkable, nurses, officers and men giving garments to cover them. The crew was bootless and sockless, owing to the alacrity with which they rushed to their posts. The cold was most bitter. Three detachments of walking patients and the boat's crew, finding the boats to which they were allotted smashed to atoms by the explosion, lined up most calmly at an officer's command and stood silently on the port side with the ship listing in that direction and sinking steadily, awaiting apparently certain death. It was only near the end that room was found for them in other boats. After the explosion, first attention was given to the tot cases below the water line. Here the water was rushing in and was soon two feet deep. It was a race with death, and to get the patients out there was no time to use the lifts, even if they had been working. The men were carried upstairs singly, clad only in pyjamas, but a blanket was wrapped round each. The ward was cleared just in time and was under water in twenty minutes. The wireless was wrecked by the explosion, but the emergency apparatus was intact and the operators sent off "S.O.S." seven times before the current failed. The first three rescuing ships arrived after three hours. Meanwhile the patients were suffering agonies from the intense cold. Some of the boats were leaking badly, but only one patient was injured in the removal, he having a leg fractured.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

Private Companies Debarred from Paying Dividends.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that a Decree forbids the payment of dividends by private companies and all share transactions, pending a scheme for the nationalisation of production.

The Peace Discussions.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that it is officially announced that the discussions at Brestilovsk were resumed on January 8. They related to the selection of a neutral town for the peace pourparlers and are proceeding favourably.

Bolshevik Claims.

London, January 10.

The Bolshevik Agency declares that attempts to break the power of the Soviets are crumbling. General Duff is beaten and is fleeing, while General Kaledin's troops have been defeated and are retreating. The Soviet at Rostoff has been liberated and the Cossacks at the front are unanimously against General Kaledin, whose troops sent to Don are returning.

GERMANY OUTWITTED.

Valuable Dye Recipes Secured.

London, January 10.

The Daily Mail says that after two years of persistent effort a group of British textile traders has brought to England from Switzerland 257 secret German dye recipes. The Government allowed the group to borrow a chemist who went to Switzerland and tested the recipes, which were in the possession of a Swiss chemist. A British Consular Officer watched the tests. The recipes were safely brought to England by an agent of the group who dodged the Germans. Every time he went to Switzerland his baggage was stolen, he was drugged, assaulted and thrown into the gutter. Once he was followed by two men to Havre, where they were captured. The group does not intend to form a monopoly but will offer the receipts to the British Government for use in established works.

AMERICAN FLOUR OUTPUT.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the Food Administration has agreed to take thirty per cent. of the output of all mills in the United States for the Army and Navy and the Allies.

THE RUMANIAN OIL WELLS.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Zurich says that the leading German financial journals, Diebank, states that the Rumanian petroleum wells were so thoroughly destroyed by the Allies that there is no chance of the Company now owning them paying a dividend for many years.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE IN AMERICA.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that President Wilson has advised the Committee of Congressmen to vote for Federal women's suffrage as an act of right and justice.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPEECH.

London, January 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris says the Press unanimously praises President Wilson's speech. Le Victoria describes it as a second Marne for the Allies.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, January 10.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: "There is slight hostile artillery firing in the neighbourhood of Gommecourt."

FRENCH SHIPPING RETURNS.

London, January 10.

French shipping returns show that the arrivals during the past week were 857 and the departures 728. The sinkings were one vessel over and none under 1,000 tons. Four ships were successfully attacked.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE HOSPITAL SHIP OUTRAGE.

London, January 9.

The newspapers emphasise that the Rova outrage also breaks the pledge implied in the German Government's statement of January 29th, 1917, that hospital ships from the west of France to the west of England would not be attacked. It appears that the Germans used the Red Cross on the Rova as a target. The torpedo went through it. Many survivors landed naked.

There were 350 aboard, including 250 wounded. The ship was travelling about four knots when the torpedo struck with a terrific crash right amidships, holing the vessel right through. The explosion extinguished the lights on the lower deck, where there was wild groping in the darkness for clothing to enable the men to go on deck. Afterwards a wonderful order was maintained. All the boats except two which were apparently destroyed by the explosion were successfully launched, while the ship was rapidly settling down on an even keel. Thirty cot cases were first placed in the boats, and then the women nurses. The ship disappeared stern first ten minutes after the last boat was loaded. Rescuing vessels speedily arrived in response to the wireless calls.

IMPORTANT ADMIRALTY CHANGES.

London, January 10.

It is authoritatively explained that while the composition of the new Admiralty Board does not indicate any great change, a really great change has been effected; moreover seniority has not influenced the selection of the new Directors. The First Lord has seized the opportunity to form a practically ideal Naval General Staff the operations of which are divided into three Bureaux, namely, Home Waters, Overseas and Trade Protection. The First Sea Lord is concerned solely with the large questions of naval policy, distribution and fighting efficiency of the Fleet and the general direction of war operations and superintendence of the Naval Staff. The Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff is solely concerned with operations in home waters without infringing the responsibility of the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet. The Deputy First Sea Lord deals with overseas questions and the Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff is responsible for anti-submarine measures, convoying of merchantmen and mine sweeping in home waters.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE APPROVED.

London, January 10.

A joint meeting representative of British labour organisations has issued a manifesto warmly approving President Wilson's declaration. It states that Mr. Lloyd George's speech followed by President Wilson's pronouncement has transformed the whole international situation. The manifesto particularly acclaims the stand taken against secret diplomacy, heartily welcomes the expression of sympathy with Russia's agonised effort to achieve freedom and concludes that the spirit of President Wilson's historic utterance is the spirit to which democracy the world over can subscribe.

Washington, January 10.

The Russian Embassy has issued a statement of appreciation as regards the reference to the Russian people in President Wilson's address to Congress.

Paris, January 10.

The French press comment on President Wilson's speech is most cordial. The "Temps" says the value of the message is enhanced because it is sent at the beginning of what will doubtless be the decisive year.

AN APPEAL FOR CO-ORDINATION.

London, January 9.

Reuter has received the following message from Lord Northcliffe, Head of the British War Mission to America: "The linking up of all efforts and resources not only between Great Britain and her Allies but also between the various Great Dominions and the Motherland, is essential to speedy victory. Lord Reading's mission connects the two main English speaking families and makes for closer war efficiency. The Germans have the advantage of contiguity, and it is essential for the Allies and the outlying parts of the British Empire to get more closely together. Dependence on the mails and even on the cables with their inevitable delays cannot be tolerated at this juncture. It gives an advantage to the enemy and so postpones decisive victory, of which I am more confident than ever. But delay spells disaster, so I urge closer and more intimate co-operation not only between the Allies but between the Motherland, India, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Newfoundland and all the other parts of the Empire, for I am profoundly convinced that close and yet closer companionship between all that the British Empire means and the United States of America is the only thing that can save civilisation."

ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, January 9.

A French communiqué states: Altogether we took 178 prisoners in yesterday's raid north of Seicheprey.

A German official message states: The French attacked on a four kilometre front westward of Flirey and penetrated our line at some points. Our counter-attacks restored the position.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters says: Our casualties in yesterday's German attack at Bullecourt were of the slightest. The chief effect of the enemy's flame throwers was to melt the snow and mark the men operating them as targets for our snipers. A short and sharp barrage of gas and other shells preceded. The attack was made by three parties in some places. The Germans scrambled over the slippery parapet and by dint of bombing established themselves in length of trench. British counter-attacks in a raging blizzard entirely restored the position and pinned them twenty.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: Both artilleries are active at a number of points southward of the Scarpe. There is some activity by the enemy north-eastward of Ypres.

FRANCE AND UKRAINE.

Paris, January 10.

The Government has appointed a commissioner to Ukraine.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

London, January 10.

A Russian wireless message says M. Trotzky has initiated negotiations with the Persian Government relative to the withdrawal of Russia of her forces from Persia on condition that a similar arrangement is come to with the Turks in accordance with the Brestlitovsk Treaty of 15th December.

CURRENCY PROBLEMS.

London, January 9.

An official message from the Treasury reports that the Minister of Reconstruction has appointed a committee of thirteen to consider the problems in connection with currency and foreign exchange during the period of reconstruction and report on the steps required to restore normal conditions. Lord Cunliffe is chairman and Lord Inchape, Mr. Jeans (Bank of Australasia) and Sir Charles Addis (Hongkong and Shanghai Bank) are members.

LABOUR AND PEACE.

London, January 10.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, speaking at Dumbarton, warmly approved Mr. Lloyd George's restatement of war aims, the spirit of which, he said, would undoubtedly lead to a peace which would remove causes of war. The statement should have the admirable effect of largely removing the suspicions entertained by German democracy. The next step was an international conference. Labour repudiated a patched up peace but still wanted their Stockholm and would shortly ask for passports.

ANGLO-AMERICAN MESSAGES.

London, January 10.

King George has sent a message to President Wilson expressing the "sincerest New Year's good wishes for your welfare, America's prosperity and success in her great undertaking in support of the principles of liberty and justice. The powerful exertions of the great Republic are the surest guarantee of the happy achievement of her high aims."

President Wilson replied: This is a solemn hour, when the New Year looks upon a world red with outpoured blood for the regeneration of the eternal rights of peoples which forecasts the happy achievement of universal safety and peace in the brotherhood of nations. Your message heartens the American people and strengthens their conviction in the righteousness of the great cause to which they have consecrated their lives and national honour."

ANGLO-JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP.

London, January 10.

King George and the Emperor of Japan have exchanged telegrams mutually conferring Field Marshals. The King speaks of the warm spirit of friendship characterising the Anglo-Japanese Alliance whether in war or peace. The Mikado says Japan is indissolubly linked to Britain by bonds of alliance and friendship.

ALLIED SHIPPING RETURNS.

London, January 9.

The Admiralty reports that the arrivals for the week numbered 2,085 and the sailings 2,241. Eighteen ships over 1,000 tons and three under that size were sunk. Eleven ships were unsuccessfully attacked. Four fishing vessels were sunk.

Home, January 9.

During the week ended 5th January, 322 ships arrived and 313 departed. Two over 1,500 tons were sunk and one was unsuccessfully attacked.

PLAQUE IN NORTH CHINA.

Peking, January 6.

Plague believed to be pneumonic, has broken out on the Shansi-Mongolian border and is spreading rapidly. Dr. Wu Lien-teh, the plague specialist, who distinguished himself in Manchuria in 1911, has gone to Sui Yuan, in Shansi, to investigate the outbreak.

ARABS ACTIVE.

London, January 9.

A Palestine official message reports renewed Arab activity on the Hedjaz Railway northward of Maan. The Arabs also carried out successful enterprises against important railway bridges southward of Maan.

NEW AUSTRALIAN MINISTRY.

Melbourne, January 9.

It is officially stated that Mr. W. M. Hughes is forming a new ministry.

FLOODS IN SIAM.

Washington, January 6.

The American Legation at Bangkok reports heavy floods in Siam. The water has risen to the house roofs, whence the peasants are living. There are great crop losses.

HUNGARY RESENTS AUSTRIAN YOKE.

Amsterdam, January 9.

The Budapest newspaper "Azat" publishes a violent article demanding severance from Austria. It says: "We will suffer no other solution with this diseased piece of earth patched up from the remnants of other nations."

PERSIAN DELEGATES VISIT BERLIN.

Amsterdam, January 10.

Three members of the Persian Parliament have accompanied the Turkish Grand Vizier, Talat Pasha, to Berlin to participate in the discussions.

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TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

New Hongkong Cinema-graph—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

"Court Cards" at Theatre Royal—9 p.m.

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New Hongkong Cinema-graph—9.15 p.m.

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Food and Unrest.

Mr. Barnes, member of the War Cabinet, has issued a report by the Ministry of Food on the steps taken to meet the recommendations of the Industrial Unrest Commission so far as they relate to food control. In the case of sugar it is claimed for the new scheme of distribution that it will "safeguard the position of the resident householder, whether he be rich or poor." As for tea, arrangements are being made to purchase, on behalf of the Government, the whole supplies needed for this country, and so to extend control over all tea. The tea will be brought home in reconditioned ships at appreciably reduced rates of freight, and there will be a substantial reduction in retail prices.

Sir John Prichard Jones.

Sir John Prichard Jones, from 1872 until June, 1914, principal of the drapery firm of Messrs. Dickins and Jones, Regent Street, London, which he founded, died recently at his home, Elstree, Herts. He was one of a group of young Welshmen who, many years ago, saw an opportunity of capturing the great drapery retail trade in London. He was associated with many educational and charitable movements, and was an old friend of the Premier. Presiding at the Bangor City Council last night, the Mayor (Alderman R. J. Williams) proposed a vote of sympathy with the family of the late knight, who was a freeman of the city. Sir John, he added, was a gentleman of whom Wales might well be proud. In every national cause he took a real interest, and he had provided the University College of North Wales, with a stately hall which perhaps had no equal in the Principality. The vote was carried in silence. The funeral took place at Newborough, Anglesey.

The New Chevrons.

It is not to be taken for granted that the many new marks of distinction given to the army are received with general enthusiasm in the army. An officer of long military experience writes, says the London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian. "The general view is that this outward display is too Continental. In the past the army prided itself on its anonymous allegiance to the regimental badge, the influence being that all soldiers were brothers. All said and done, there is no especial merit in being wounded. The man who is unlucky enough to be temporarily incapacitated for the period of his wound is not braver than his fellow who has been more fortunate. Again with the new chevron. The great thing is that the army is one complete whole, with each particular addition complementary to the other. There is no particular merit in being one individual in the original Expeditionary Force in comparison with another who was training at home, nor is it a good principle to encourage by suggestion that one particular individual is better than his comrade just because he has participated in any particular dramatic incident. None can suggest that what men have gone through at Mametz, Polygon Wood, or Warlencourt, to quote at random, is less worthy decoration than say, the first Battle of Ypres. One duty combined with another is the ideal for the British Army: Regimental distinctions as you will, but not too much of the individual. The medal with the appropriate chevron is the ideal distinction for the individual, the personal touch, the place for all men."

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THE ALLIES' STAND.

If our enemies or the neutral nations were ever really in doubt as to the objects for which the Allies are waging war, they will from now henceforward have no excuse for complaining of the ambiguity of the Entente's policy. Last weekend, Mr. Lloyd George outlined, in definite, concise and convincing language, the aims and motives inspiring the Allied nations in their determination to fight out the issue until complete vindication of their ideals is secured. Hard on his declaration comes the masterly and most comprehensive re-statement of the same subject embodied in President Wilson's Message to Congress, which is well described as the American President's greatest State paper. In that Message, the head of the American nation has laid down fourteen concrete conditions which the Allies insist on having included in any peace arrangement, and for the securing of which we are assured that the people of the United States are ready to devote their lives, their honour and everything they possess. That is the prime value of the historic utterance, for never more can it be said that the Allies are continuing the war for vague and nebulous reasons. Here we have, in black and white, the Allies' charter. By it the free democracies of the world are prepared to stand or fall.

Taken in the main, President Wilson's declaration is really an enlargement, in rather more detail, of the terse triple formula with which Mr. Lloyd George summed up his recent speech. The difference between the two lies in the fact that the British Premier dealt chiefly with basic principles, whereas President Wilson has gone a step further by applying those principles specifically to the several concrete questions which are bound to form the subject matter of any peace deliberations, either now or in the future. That is a happy circumstance, for in matters of this kind, involving issues of life and death to millions of mankind, it is an essential requirement that no room is left for confusion of thought. What will strike the open-minded reader of the Message most of all, next to its self-evident sincerity and manifest consistency, is its truly democratic ring. Not once, but many times, President Wilson makes it plain that America has no time for imperialism or militarism in any shape or form, and that what she, in common with the other Allies, is aiming to secure is a confederation of nationalities who may, by ridding the world of the curse of military power, be able to live on equal terms of liberty and safety one with another. And to show that the Allies have no other aim than that, President Wilson, in one of the most pregnant passages of his utterance, frankly declares that Germany can be admitted to that circle, provided she is willing to associate herself with the peace-loving nations of the world in covenants of justice, law and fair dealing. But she can only come in on a level of equality with others.

To sum up, we require of Germany the definite renunciation of territorial aggrandisement and military domination; the evacuation of all territory which she has occupied during the war; the handing back of Alsace-Lorraine; full and general recognition of the right of all nationalities to decide their own destiny, without outside interference of any kind; the restoration (as distinct from the evacuation) of Belgium; and a willingness to join in a general and world-wide reduction of armaments as well as in an abandonment of secret diplomacy and in the formation of a League of Nations for the mutual protection of all. These are the main terms of which the Allies will require recognition before they can think of laying down their arms. Whether he is speaking for the Allies as a whole or for America in particular we do not know, but President Wilson goes one step further when he formulates the idea of equality of trade conditions among all the nations within the new confederation. But, even with that assurance, we do not think it probable that Germany will yet subscribe to the conditions stipulated. The acceptance of such a programme would mean the utter surrender of Pan-Germanism, which is still all too strongly entrenched to give in without a struggle. The prospects, therefore, are all in favour of a longer war still, and, having clarified their position, the Allies must now turn from talk to further action till they are in a position to dictate terms. As we read the signs of the times, only a revolt in Germany can shorten the war. For the respective official policies of the Allies and their foes are as wide asunder as the poles.

Another Huo Outrage.

The torpedoing of the British hospital ship Rawa by the Germans appears to be nothing more nor less than a diabolical outrage, an action of a ferocious and barbarous character, and one that could be committed only by people wallowing in the slough of savagery. Accidents happen; but this was no accident. It was a deliberate and fiendish piece of work that could have been committed by the modern Huns only. The Rawa, it is officially stated, displayed all the lights and markings required by the Hague Convention, and was not and had not been within the so-called barred zone delimited by the Germans. For what reason therefore was such a vessel destroyed? Doubtless the last had of the vile German barbarians may think that they believed the vessel carried soldiers, ammunition and what not, besides wounded soldiers. The cowardly curs have always some such whine to make. But it will avail them nothing. The sinking of the Rawa is like the sinking of the Britannic and other hospital ships; like the sinking also of the Lusitania, the Sussex and many other ships on board of which were women and children. Long ago the Germans, by their diabolical ferocity, earned for themselves an everlasting detestation which nothing can ever mitigate. Today they are living up to their reputation.

Concealed Opium.
An elderly woman, who was searched at the Kowloon Railway station yesterday, was found to have a quantity of opium in her possession, this being concealed among her clothing. Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, she was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

Stolen Gunny-Bags.
Found walking in Des Voeux Road West with several gunny bags in his possession, a Chinese was arrested by a lakong on suspicion, and it later transpired that the bags had been stolen from the Kwong Yick Wharf, Connaught Road West. Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, she was sent to prison for six weeks with hard labour.

A Charge that Failed.
A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning with the unlawful possession of ten taels of opium. Inspector O'Sullivan stated that the lakong who arrested the man alleged that he was offered money as a bribe. After hearing the evidence, his Worship came to the conclusion that it was insufficient and discharged the man.

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The police report that the body of an unknown Chinese, aged about 30 years, fairly well dressed in semi-European clothes, had been found on the hillside between May Road and Conduit Road, with a wound in the stomach. It is supposed to be a case of murder. By the manner in which the deceased was dressed he is supposed to have been a shojman.

Sugar Refinery Theft.
An employee of the China Sugar B-finery was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with the larceny of 54 lbs. of sugar. He was found leaving the works with the sugar in his pocket, and some more sugar was later found carefully concealed round his waist. His Worship sentenced him to six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

From Hongkong.
Night and Day, the organ of D. Bernard's Homes, acknowledges a remittance of £100 from Hongkong. Thus writes the sender: "I have much pleasure in once more sending you our contribution, the result of donations and work done during Lent. It is the first time we have reached three figures." Earlier amounts from the same source in Hongkong have been £20, £25, £33 and £50. Now comes the splendid £100.

Armed Robbery.
A case of armed robbery has been reported by the police from Yaumant. A married woman, living at 17, Battery Street, reports that early yesterday morning she was, with another woman and some children, sitting in a room at the above address, when a knock was heard at the door. On the door being opened four men armed with revolvers entered. They bound and gagged all the inmates and stole from boxes jewellery valued at £954, and clothing valued at £95, together with £120 in money, £1,050.20 altogether. The men made good their escape.

A Battle Royal.
Bricks were flung and fists were used in a fight between the crews of two cargo boats, which took place on the Praya, Kennedy Town, yesterday. It appears that the fight started as the result of a collision between the boats, and by the time an Indian Sergeant had got the men under control two of them needed to be sent to the Government Civil Hospital for their head wounds to be dressed. They looked a resentful crowd before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy this morning, when five of them were fined \$1 each and the other found over to be of good behaviour.

DAY BY DAY.

THE TRAPPINGS OF A MONARCHY
WOULD SET UP AN ORDINARY
COMMONWEALTH.—Dr. Johnson.

To-morrow is the 60 birthday of the Marquis of Crewe.

The Dollar.
The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 0/5d.

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HONGKONG HOTEL FIRE.

LAST NIGHT'S OUTBREAK.

Prompt Action of Firemen
Prevents a Disaster.

There were scenes of great excitement at the Hongkong Hotel last night, when a fire of considerable dimensions began in a small way on the first floor and eventually spread to the very roof of the building, which was soon, at one point, well ablaze. It originated in the dining room kitchen and sparks set fire to a wooden ventilating shaft which runs up to the fifth floor, where the greatest damage was done. Three rooms in the direct line of the fire were more or less seriously affected, the attic at the top was badly burned, and, worst of all, thousands of feet of new and expensive carpets on the stairways and the corridors of the five floors were practically spoiled by water. The actual damage by fire was, as events turned out, not very serious, but it was only by prompt preventive measures that a big disaster was obviated. As it was, to those who saw the conflagration from a distance it appeared, from the height to which the flames leapt, that a big blow was in progress.

The first signs of the fire were detected by some of the hotel "boys" on the fifth floor, who noticed smoke issuing forth from Room No. 575. This was some where about 10.30 p.m. and soon the whole hotel was astir, as the fire had been noticed by residents occupying rooms in an adjoining wing of the building. Mr. White, a member of the hotel staff, was also among those who first observed signs of the outbreak. A rapid investigation of the premises and in a short space of time had several lengths of hose connected up and were playing streams of water on the centre of the trouble. In a very few minutes also, a number of volunteer Fire Brigade members were on the spot, and it is generally conceded that the work they did had a big effect in keeping the outbreak within limited during its early stages. The worst effects were felt in the attic between the ceiling of the top floor and the roof, which is used as a furniture store-room. This was soon put out and the flames even at the time. By about 11.30 p.m. the fire was well extended into the centre of the room, where several beams were noticed that the ventilating shaft was.

The three rooms which suffered most were Nos. 375, 475 and 575, situated respectively on the third, fourth and fifth floors. The ventilating shaft runs up the side of each of these, and it was necessary, in order to get to the seat of the fire, to tear up parts of the flooring as well as to smash in the ventilator itself in all three rooms. Fortunately, all these rooms were vacant at the time. By about 11.30 p.m. the fire was well extended into the centre of the room, where several beams were noticed that the ventilating shaft was.

So fierce was the fire was again smouldering on the bero that many of the panes of third floor level. Then glass literally melted. There was practically the whole length no lack of willing helpers, for in it passing through Room 375 addition to the Fire Brigade, was pulled down in order to stay which was quickly on the scene, and the hotel staff, several residents lost a hand in the task of suppressing the outbreak. Mr. J. H. Taggart (manager) and Mr. H. N. Beaurepaire (assistant manager) were also soon on the scene and did good work in the扑滅 the fire.

With dozens of fire-hoses brought into play, it was only natural that the premises should be flooded, especially as it was on the top floor that the greater volume of the water was used. As a consequence, streams of water flowed down the stairways into the corridors and percolated through the various floors. There was, in fact, a regular torrent flowing even on the ground floor and surging through the main entrance. Carpets and furniture were literally soaked, even the new appointments in the ladies' drawing room on the first floor suffering badly. The damage thus effected must be very considerable, but is, of course, covered by insurance. Its extent is not at the moment known.

As to the cause of the outbreak, it is conjectured that some workers who had been engaged in the ladies' drawing room on the first floor suffering badly. The damage thus effected must be very considerable, but is, of course, covered by insurance. Its extent is not at the moment known.

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THE FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Snowman and Company's Report.

Messrs. Snowman and Co. report as follows under date of January 5:-

Since we last reported on the 22nd ultimo business has been rather quiet, little time chartering having been arranged, mainly due to owners' ideas of rates, being so high. Although the demand is strong the only fixture reported is a 1,400 tons per month vessel at \$40,000 per month for nine months.

We last reported the Saigon/Hongkong rate at \$1.65 per picul at which figure it remained for a few days and a small and a medium sized vessel were fixed. It then strengthened to \$1.67 by the fixture of a small vessel outsider. Offers were then made of \$1.10 but the only further business reported was the fixture of a small sized Japanese steamer for 6 round trips at \$1.30 per picul.

Exports of Rice:—From Saigon from 1st January to 26th November, 1917, amounted to 923,237 tons, as compared with 910,781 tons for the same period last year. The quotation for No. 2 white round sifted rice, stands at \$3.20 per picul f.a.b. Saigon for November/December shipment.

Siagon/Philippines:—We have nothing to report.

Siagon/Java:—Nothing to report.

Bangkok/Hongkong:—We advised the closing of this rate in our last report at \$1.60 per picul for inside the bar loading, but we indicated a weakening of this figure, which duly came about, as it now stands at \$1.00/30.90 per picul for inside/outside the bar loading respectively, with no fixtures reported.

Coal:—The demand is not strong and the Jap/Hongkong rate is, nominally, Yen 14.00 per ton. Little local business has been done and only the fixture of a medium sized outsider at \$0.75 Hongkong/Hongkong is reported.

One problem throughout Germany has been to deal with the extensive forgery of food cards, and Munich claims to have solved it. The paper bears a watermark, and the sheets are numbered before being supplied to the printers, who work under constant supervision. The cards are removed under military guard, and remain so until the actual distribution. The numbers returned are carefully checked against those given out, and any surplus, when the period covered by the issue expires, is pulped, still under the strictest supervision. The paper which gives these particulars adds merrily, "The card system is excellent—if only we could say the same of the food supply."

"Gone west," says a correspondent to a Home paper, generally used by our boys in France to mean "dead," and I have not yet seen an explanation for the adoption of this phrase, which is one of many that have come into use during this war. Browning last night in my Chinese dictionary, which, being published in 1911, cannot be accused of adoption, I find the phrase hoi-hsi (pronounced huey-shay), which literally is "returned west," translated as "to die" (Buddhist term). Can it be that "gone west" is cousin to "Blighty," which we know to be Hindoo? To carry the meaning farther, hoi-hien, "western-heaven," is the paradise of the Buddhists, so that hoi-hien "returned west," would really mean "gone to heaven."

Sir Alfred Robbins, who is the doyen of Parliamentary journalists and was lately knighted, is also a Freemason and President of the United Grand Lodge of England. Recently at the Freemasons' Hall, the Lodge presented him with a gold watch in recognition of his services to Freemasonry and of the honour of knighthood recently conferred upon him by the King. At the same time the Lodge presented a gold wrist watch to Lady Robbins. Among those who took part in the ceremony were the Grand Wardens, Lord Rhondda and General Sir Francis Lloyd.

Status of Marshal Djouma.

The public subscriptions towards the expenses for the erection of Marshal Djouma's statue now amount to \$20,000, and work is to be commenced shortly.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

What exactly is a pun? The word was started recently by Mr. Robert Lynd when he instance as a particularly good pun of Mr. Chesterton's statement that Queen Mary "set herself to burn out 'No Poppy' and managed to burn it." Now I submit that that is no pun at all, but a mere quip, which may belong to the same genus, but is not of the same species. "A pun," says the "Century" Dictionary, "is a play upon two senses of the same word or sound, and its effect is to excite a sense of the ludicrous."

"Murray's" and the "Standard" substantially support this view, and we also have Addison's succinct definition: "A conceit arising from the use of two words that agree in the sound but differ in the sense." The only possible way by which Mr. Chesterton's use of the word "burn" can be brought within the fold is to lay an exceedingly strong emphasis on the difference between the burning of the body and the branding of the mind—which at the least makes a very bad, not a very good, pun. But perhaps Mr. Lynd can produce his own authority.

Every day 5,000 men on leave from the front or the military stations have to be provided for at Munich. They are met at the central railway station, and leave for different periods, the task of handing them the correct number of the right kind of food cards is not simple. A man on seven days' leave, which includes five meat days, receives, besides vouchers for 2,000 grammes of bread and flour, the following cards: 10 meat, 14 potato, 1 fat, 1 groceries, 7 milk, 7 sugar, 1 cheese, 1 egg.

TWO BIG FIRES.

Serious Outbreaks at Cheung Chau and Aberdeen.

The Hongkong Fire Brigade spent a very busy twenty-four hours yesterday, no less than three serious fires occurring. The first was reported during the fifteen hour and was located on the island of Obeang Chau, this necessitating a journey in the fire boat. Hardly had the Brigade arrived back in the evening when the fire at the Hongkong Hotel, which is fully reported elsewhere, broke out, and the services of the men were again required. To wind up what had already been a busy day, a call was received at 3.5 this morning from Aberdeen, and a second journey in the first was called for. The main of the men arrived back from this conflagration at about 6 o'clock. This, we think, must be something of a record for local fire-fighters, who certainly deserve the appreciation of all for the manner in which they promptly attended to all of these outbreaks.

The affair at Cheung Chau proved to be most serious of them all. The fire was first known in Hongkong by a report from the Peak that what appeared to be a big fire could be sighted. It was deemed wise to send the Fire Float, in case buildings were involved, and the No. 2 Float, with a number of men, was dispatched. On arriving at the island, a little after three o'clock, it was discovered that a row of houses, extending from the pier to the market, were being gutted. It is said that the flames first burst out in a shop which sells crackers and other joss goods, and so quickly did they get a hold that the small hand engine, kept on the island, was practically powerless to arrest them. Although the market building was adjoining, it did not become involved; but the fire, spreading in the other direction, travelled practically the whole length of the street, with the result that fully thirty-two storied houses were destroyed. The men from Hongkong soon got to work with hoses from the float and put in practically six hours' work, leaving the scene at about nine o'clock. It is pleasing to record that no case of injury is known, but the amount of damage, which is not thought to be covered by insurance, is high, falling as it does mostly on the villagers. It is estimated that nearly one hundred people have been robbed of their homes.

Three Houses Gutted at Aberdeen.

The last of the trio of cut-breaks occurred at the village of Aberdeen, a call reaching the Central Station by telephone just after three o'clock this morning. Again the Fire Float was requisitioned and a number of Volunteer Firemen made the journey by road. By the time the Brigade arrived, the three houses involved, which are situated near the Paper Mill, were merely bare walls, the interiors having been completely gutted in the interval. The firemen were able to do useful work in preventing any further spreading of the flames. The ground floors were occupied as shops and the first floors as dwelling houses. The origin of the fire is at present unknown, as is also the amount of damage and insurance. In this case also, there were no personal injuries sustained.

A Dishonest Employee.

At the Police Court this morning a Chinese shop-keeper charged one of his folks with the embezzlement of \$941, on October 8. The facts of the case were that the man was sent out to collect several accounts and failed to return with the money. Some of it had been refunded and all that was outstanding was the amount in the charge. The defendant said that he had spent some of the money on himself and had loaned the rest to friends. Mr. Dyer Bell, who heard the case, sentenced the defendant to three months' labour.

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TO-DAY'S
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THE HONGKONG LAND
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On the Naval Dockyard Recreation Club's courts yesterday afternoon, an interesting tennis match was played in the Bradley Cup Competition, Sergeant Ives, 87th Co. R.G.A., meeting Sapper Townsend, R.E., in the first of the semi-finals. Though the strong sun handicapped the players at times, there was some good sport witnessed, though the match was not characterized by any particularly long rallies. Ives was the more showy and stylish player of the two, but his opponent relied rather more on steadiness, which eventually won him the match after a hard tussle. Townsend secured entry into the final by winning by 3 sets to 2, the game score being 26 to 24. He took the first set at 6-3, following which Ives won the two next sets with scores of 7-5 and 6-1. The other man rallied, however and was leading in the fourth set by the odd game of nine, eventually winning by 8-6. The score was now two sets all, and Townsend, settling down steadily to the task before him, had no difficulty in winning the set at 6-2 and with it the match. The other semi-finalists, Sergt. Major Anderson and Sergt. Major Jowbury, meet to-day.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1918.

THE HONGKONG LAND
RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SEVENTEEN-TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY 29th January, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY 19th to TUESDAY 29th January, 1918, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

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THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
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Secretary to

THE GENERAL MANAGER,
Hongkong, 11th January, 1918.

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Hongkong, Jan. 4, 1918.

ALIEN ENEMIES IN
AMERICA.

Trouble Experienced in Film
Work.

Many of the alien enemies have been thrown out of employment by the latest enforcement of the law. Some regular work were, it was reported recently, New York, besieging the employment bureaus of the city in hope of finding work. According to Mr. Morris L. F. manager of the State Employment Council Clearing House for Employment Offices, the Government did not give notice of the closing sufficiently far ahead, the Clearing House to make preparations for this emergency.

The problem of these aliens being handled by the Agricultural and Industrial Labour Relief, a Mayor's Advisory Committee, at the State Public Employment Bureau in Brooklyn, who are operating with the State Defence Council Clearing House. Mr. G. M. Heesels, secretary of the Agricultural and Industrial Labour Relief, has his hands full to place the swarms of both men and women workers who have come to him for help.

"Our service was not organized especially for enemy aliens, but they have been the best beneficiaries because they have needed us most," said Mr. Heesels. "In the six months between April 22 and September 30 we placed 1,725 out of 2,025 applicants, representing as many as twenty different nationalities. Of these 25 to 30 per cent. were in New York City. Since September the number of applicants has been doubled."

"The point that I wish to put up to employers," emphasized Mr. Heesels, "is that there is no reason why there should be a prejudice against employing them just because they are rejected from the waterfront and other barred districts. This does not stamp them as less loyal or reliable. The majority of our applicants are people who have proved their value to employers through many years of trustworthy and competent service. The employers regret losing them, but have been compelled to succeed because of their nationality and race conditions."

"Every person who applies to us for work who is known to be an enemy alien is required to sign a declaration to the effect that he will abide by the laws of the United States, and every dubious case is investigated and watched. On the other hand, just because these people must have work, this is not an opportunity for employers to secure cheap labour. We demand for them standard wages and conditions."

Of the twenty applicants waiting for Mr. Heesels' attention were sixteen aliens, of whom six were enemy aliens. Of these six, one was a second-class engineer who had lost his job in the Panama Canal Zone, one a clerk who had previously been employed in one of our railroad offices in a station also restricted to aliens, one a machinist, one a carpenter, and one a confectioner in similar straits.

NOTICES.

HEAD OFFICE: MARUNOUCHI, TOKYO.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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UNREST IN DENMARK.

Copenhagen, January 9.
Four thousand unemployed demonstrated at Parliament and demanded food and fuel till work is available.

A GOVERNMENT DENIAL.

London, January 10.
The Press Bureau states that the Government is not at present considering or intending to consider the formation of an All British Oil Company.

GERMAN INTRIGUER FINED.

London, January 6.
The former German Consul at San Francisco has been found guilty of arranging the voyages of the ships Annie Larsen and Maverick, which were intended to convey arms from America for a rebellion in India. He was fined \$11,000.

THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

London, January 9.
The Government has abandoned its intention to commandeer the British Museum.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders issued to-day by Major R. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant, state:—

Court of Inquiry.—A Court of Inquiry will assemble at such time and place as the President may decide, to inquire into a matter which will be laid before them. President, Major D. Macdonald, V.D. Members, Lieutenant L. G. P. Rees and Lieutenant B. R. Branch.

Strength.—Private G. M. Young was enrolled on 5.1.18 and posted to "B" Company. Private T. Stuart was enrolled on 8.1.18 and posted to "B" Company. Pte. H. G. H. Griffith, "A" Company, attached Stretcher Bearer Section, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, on 18th January, 1918.

Leave.—Lieutenant J. Owen-Hughes, "B" Company, is granted 12 months' leave, from 16th January, 1918. Lance Corp. F. A. Perry, "A" Company, is granted 21 days' leave, from 10.1.18. Gunner H. Overy, Artillery Coy., is granted 1 month's leave, from 8.1.18. Pte. P. B. Glendinning, "B" Company, is granted 6 months' leave, from March. Pte. G. W. Barton, "D" Company, is granted 12 months' leave, from 11.1.18. Pte. V. C. Labrum, M.G. Company, is granted 1 month's leave, from 9.1.18.

Medical Certificates.—Medical Certificates for exemption from parades etc. must be obtained from one of the Medical Officers of the Corps and must be sent to O. Os. immediately they are received.

Communication Drill.—At Headquarters on Tuesday, 15th instant, at 6.30 p.m. Officers and N.C.O.s of "A" and "B" Companies will attend. Other Officers and N.C.O.s may attend if they so desire. Infantry Training 1914, Sections 1 to 35 will be practised.

Lectures.—The following will be the course of lectures to be given between the 10th January and the end of March:—January 10th, Map Reading and Field Sketching; 17th, Field Service Regulations; 24th, Military Law; 31st, Map Reading and Field Sketching; February 7th, Field Engineering; 14th, Military Law; 21st, Field Service Regulations; 28th, Map Reading and Field Sketching; March 7th, Military Engineering; 14th, Military Law; 21st, Field Service Regulations; 28, Military Engineering.

Lieutenant D. R. Wahl, B. E., has very kindly consented to deliver the lectures on Military Engineering.

Promotion.—No. 106 Corporal J. R. Kinghorn to be Sergeant, dated 11th January, 1918.

Artillery Parades.

Orders for Artillery Companies by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.:—Parades at Belchers Battery (except on 13th instant);—

Sunday, 13th instant.—Right and Left half Companies. Sub-calibre practice at Stonemasons. Parade at Blake Pier at 8.20 a.m.

Monday, 14th instant.—7.30 a.m. Right half Company. D. B. F. Class only. 5.15 p.m. Left half Company. D. R. F. Class only.

Tuesday, 15th instant.—7.30 a.m. Right half Company. Full parade. 5.15 p.m. Left half Company. Full parade.

p.m. No. 5 Platoon, at headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Thursday, 17th instant.—4.30 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 8 and 9, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Friday, 18th instant.—4.30 p.m.—Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 10 and 11, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired those practices. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

5.15 p.m. Nos. 6 and 7 Platoons, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Sunday, 20th instant.—8.00 a.m. No. 8 Platoon (Kowloon Dock Sections), as detailed by O.S.M. Rattey, at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15, 16, 17 and 18. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

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Tuesday, 15th instant.—7.10 a.m. No. 3 Gun at Headquarters. 5.10 p.m. No. 2 Gun at Kowloon Dock. Hongkong residents proceed by launch from Statue Wharf at 4.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 16th instant.—5.15 p.m. Men detailed below at Headquarters. Pte. Harper, Jack, Hind, Logan, McKerns, Pinguet, Todd, F.C. Field, and Stapleton.

Thursday, 17th instant.—5.15 p.m. No. 4 Gun at Headquarters.

Friday, 18th instant.—5.15 p.m. No. 5 Gun at Headquarters.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Monday, 14th instant.—4.30 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 16th instant.—5.15 p.m. Men detailed below at Headquarters. Pte. Harper, Jack, Hind, Logan, McKerns, Pinguet, Todd, F.C. Field, and Stapleton.

Thursday, 17th instant.—5.15 p.m. No. 6 Gun at Headquarters.

Friday, 18th instant.—5.15 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables.

Saturday, 19th instant.—5.15 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables.

Monday, 20th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 3 and 4, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 21st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 5, 6, 7, and 8, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 22nd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 9 and 10, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 23rd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 11 and 12, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 24th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 13 and 14, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 25th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 15 and 16, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Sunday, 26th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 17 and 18, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 27th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 19 and 20, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 28th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 21 and 22, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 29th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 23 and 24, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 30th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 25 and 26, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 31st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 27 and 28, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 1st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 29 and 30, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Sunday, 2nd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 31 and 32, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 3rd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 33 and 34, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 4th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 35 and 36, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 5th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 37 and 38, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 6th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 39 and 40, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 7th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 41 and 42, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 8th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 43 and 44, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 9th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 45 and 46, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 10th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 47 and 48, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 11th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 49 and 50, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 12th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 51 and 52, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 13th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 53 and 54, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 14th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 55 and 56, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 15th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 57 and 58, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 16th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 59 and 60, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 17th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 61 and 62, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 18th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 63 and 64, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 19th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 65 and 66, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 20th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 67 and 68, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 21st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 69 and 70, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 22nd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 71 and 72, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 23rd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 73 and 74, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 24th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 75 and 76, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 25th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 77 and 78, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 26th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 79 and 80, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 27th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 81 and 82, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 28th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 83 and 84, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 29th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 85 and 86, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 30th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 87 and 88, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Friday, 31st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 89 and 90, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Saturday, 1st instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 91 and 92, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Monday, 2nd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 93 and 94, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Tuesday, 3rd instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 95 and 96, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Wednesday, 4th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 97 and 98, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 5th instant.—5.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2, Practices 99 and 100, at King's Park Range, for all who have not fired these practices. Dress, Drill order.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, in their share report, dated Friday, 11th of January, 1918, state:

A fair business has been transacted during the week and in some cases there has been an improvement in rates. Indo Chinas "deferred" have again been the principal feature, and have continued their see-saw movements which have been characteristic of them lately.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have slightly weakened, and a fair business has been done at \$590, at which rate there are more buyers.

Fire and Marine Insurances.—

China Fires are enquired for at \$1223, but there are no sellers in evidence. Hongkong Fires are steady at \$310. Unions are in demand and have advanced to \$740. Canton have changed bands at \$290. North Chinas are still asked for at Tls. 115.

Shipping.—Indo-Chinas "deferred" which closed very weak when we last wrote strengthened and business as high as \$172 was reported. At this price the market again became easier and fell away to \$165 only to harden again when news come from London that the price there had recovered.

MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, January 3, 1918.

BUTCHER MEAT.

	Grs.	
Beef Sirloin—Mei Lung Pa	Ib. 24	
Prime Cut	" 24	
Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	" 24	肉牛
Roast—Shin	" 24	肉牛
Breast—Ngau Nam	" 20	肉牛
Soup—Tong Yuk	" 20	肉汤
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	" 24	扒肉牛
do.—Skin—Ngau Lau	" 30	扒牛皮
Sausages—Ngau Cheung	No. 1 26	肉牛
Bullock's Brains—" No.	per set 10	肉牛
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each 50	肉牛
corned—Ham Ngau Li	" 60	肉牛
Head—Ngau Tau	" 1.00	肉牛
Heart—Ngau Sum	Ib. 13	心牛
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	" 90	肉牛
Feet—Ngau Keuk	each 10	肉牛
Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	" 10	肉牛
Tail—Ngau Mei	" 20	肉牛
Liver—Ngau Kon	Ib. 13	肉牛
Tripe (uncooked)—Ngau To	" 6	肉牛
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau-hau-tau-kuuk	set 81.00	肉牛
Motion Chop—Yenng Pei Kwat	Ib. 26	肉牛
Vleg—Young Pei	" 26	肉牛
Shoulder—Young Shan	" 24	肉牛
Saddle—Young On Yok	" 16	肉牛
Pigs' Chitlings—Chu Chong	" 4	猪肚
Brains—Chu No	per set 3	猪脑
Feet—Chu Keuk	Ib. 14	猪脚
Fry—Chu Chap	" 18	猪油
Head—Chu Tsu	" 10	猪头
Heart—Chu Sam	each 10	猪心
Kidneys—Chu Yin	Ib. 30	猪肾
Liver—Chu Kon	" 24	猪肝
Pork, Chop—Chu Pai Kwat	" 24	猪排
Leg—Chu Pei	" 28	猪腿
Loin—	" 28	猪腰
Fat or Lard—Chu You	" 21	猪油
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Keuk	set 60	羊头
Heart—Young Sam	each 8	羊心
Kidneys—Young Yin	" 12	羊肾
Liver—Young Kon	Ib. 26	羊肝
Stealing Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	" 26	仔猪
Suet, Beef—Shang Ngau Yiu	" 26	油牛
Mutton—Shang Young Yiu	" 26	油牛
Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	" 20	肉牛仔
Sausages—Ngau Tsai Ocheung	No. 1 26	肉牛仔
FISH.		
Barbel—Ka Yu	Ib. 26	鱼
Bream—Pin Yu	" 18	鱼
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	" 18	鱼
Carp—Li Yu	" 22	鱼
Catfish—Chik Yu	" 14	鱼
Codfish—Mun Yu	" 16	鱼
Crabs—Hei	" 18	蟹
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	" 16	鱼
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	" 32	鱼
Dace—Wou Mei Iap	" 10	鱼
Dog Fish—Tit To Sha	" 10	鱼
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	" 14	鱼
Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	" 18	鱼
Yellow—Wong Sin	" 34	鱼
Frogs—Tin Kai	" 36	蛙
Garoupa—Shek Pan	" 44	鱼
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	" 17	鱼
Herring—Teo Pak	" 22	鱼
Hilobut—Cheung Kwan Kap	" 22	鱼
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	" 20	鱼
Loach—Wu Yu	" 28	鱼
Lobsters—Lung Ha	" 29	鱼
Mackerel—Chi Yu	" 22	鱼
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	" 34	鱼
Mullet—Chai Yu	" 16	鱼
Oysters—Shang Ho	" 18	鱼
Parrot Fish—Kai Knag Yu	" 14	鱼
Perch—Tau Lo	" 18	鱼
Pike—Ka Fan Fong	" 18	鱼
Plaice—Pan Yu	" 16	鱼
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	" 28	鱼
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	" 32	鱼
Prawns—Mina He	" 34	鱼
Ray—Pai Pa She	" 10	鱼
Roe Fish—Shek Kau Kau	" 15	鱼
Roach—Chau Yu	" 14	鱼
Salmon—Ma Yu	" 32	鱼
Shark—Sha Yu	" 8	鱼
State—Po Yu	" 8	鱼
Shrimps—Ha Yu	" 25	鱼
Snapper—Lep Yu	" 28	鱼
Sole—Tat Shu Yu	" 28	鱼
Tench—Wan Yu	" 18	鱼
Turbot—Cho How Yu	" 18	鱼
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keuk Yu	" 80	鱼
FRUITS.		
Almonds—Bang Yan	Ib. 35	杏仁
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	" 18	苹果
do.—Chefoo—Tin Chiu Ping Kho	" 18	苹果
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heung Chiu	" 5	香蕉
do.—Macao—San Heung Chiu	" 5	香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Let	" 11	板栗
Carambola—Yeng To	" 11	星果
Coconuts—Ya Tee	each 10	椰子
Grapes—Po Tai Tsai	Ib. 23	葡萄
Lemons, China—Ling Mung	" 8	柠檬
do.—America—Kam Shan Ling Mung	each 7	柠檬
Lichees Dried, (small stones)—Lei Oi Nian	Ib. 23	荔枝
do.—Fresh	" 8	荔枝
Oranges, (Canton), (Sweet)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	" 19	橘子
Pears, (American)—Kum San Shoot Ley	" 19	梨
do.—Canton, (Cookin)—She Li	" 10	梨
Peanuts—Pi Shing	" 10	花生
FRUIT.		
Persimmons, Large—Hung Tzi	" 12	柿子
Plantain—Tai Chiu	" 2	芭蕉
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	" 11	李子
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	each 11	柚子
" Shanghai—Lo Kwai	" 1	柚子
Walnuts—Hop To	Ib. 14	核桃
Green—Sang Hop Two	" 1	核桃
Water Melon, (Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each 1	西瓜
POULTRY.		
Chicken—Kai Tsai	Ib. 30	鸡
Capon, Small—Si Kai	" 38	鸡
" Large	" 36	鸡
Ducks—Ap	" 24	鸭
Doves—Pan Kau	" 18	鸽子
Eggs—Hai Kai Tan (cooking)	per dos	蛋
(fresh)—"	" 24	蛋
Fowls, Canton—Kai Tsai	Ib. 35	鸡
Hainan—Hai Na Kai	" 36	鸡
Geese—Ngo	" 25	鹅
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each 30	鸽子
Hoibow—Hoi How Pak Kap,	" 24	鸽子
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each 22	鸽子
Turkeys, Cock—Po Kai Kung	Ib. 60	火鸡
Hen—Ns	" 50	火鸡
Pheasant—Shan Kai	" 1	火鸡
Quail—Om Chun	" 1	火鸡
Partridges—Che Ku	" 1	火鸡
VEGETABLES, &c.		
Artichokes—Ah Chi Chenk	" 1	竹笋
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moo Pin Tsu	" 1	豆角
(French) Shanghai—Sheung Hai Pin	" 1	豆角
Sprout—Nga Tsai	Ib. 4	豆芽
Long—Tau Kok	" 9	豆芽
Beet Root—Hung Tsai Tsai	" 8	红萝卜
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	" 7	苦瓜
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yun Kwa	" 5	茄子
Red—Hung Ke	" 5	茄子
Shanghai—Ye Tsai	" 16	茄子
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsai	" 8	卷心菜
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	" 8	竹笋
Carrots—Kam Shun	" 9	红萝卜
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Tsai	" 25	芹菜
Chillies Dried—Kon La Chiu	" 25	辣椒
Red—Hung Fa Chiu	" 12	辣椒
Green—Ching La Chiu	" 8	辣椒
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chu Liu	" 10	芥末
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each 2	黄瓜
Garlic—Sun Tau	Ib. 8	蒜
Ginger, young—Sun Kee Keung	" 8	姜
old—Lo Keung	" 10	姜
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	" 45	萝卜
Indian Corn—Sub Mai	each 6	玉米
Lettuce—Young Shang Tsai	" 1	生菜
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	Ib. 5	莲藕
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	" 8	莲藕
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Tsai Ku	" 36	蘑菇
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each	哈密瓜
Okrocs—	Ib. 10	瓠子
Onions Bombay—Young Chong Tsai	" 8	洋葱
Green—Shang Chung	" 5	洋葱
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chong Tsai	" 6	洋葱
Parlays—Kun Tsai	Ib. \$1.20	土豆
Green Peas—Ching Tan	" 3	豌豆
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	" 3	土豆
Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tsai	" 3	土豆
Japanese—Yat Pan Shu Tsai	" 3	土豆
American—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	" 8	土豆
Foochow—Foo-chow Shu Tsai	" 8	土豆
Pumpkin—Tong Kwa	" 3	南瓜
Rhubarb—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	" 1	萝卜
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	" 1	萝卜
Sage—Tee So	" 7	韭菜
Shallots—Kon Chang Tsai	" 4	葱
Tomatoes—Van Ke	" 4	番茄
Taro—Wu Tau	" 5	芋头
Turnips, Punti, (Long)—Lo Pak	" 4	萝卜
do.—English—Young Lo Pak	" 4	萝卜
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	" 5	丝瓜
(American)—Kam-san Chit Kwa	" 5	丝瓜
Water Cress—Sai Yeung Tsai	" 18	水芹
Lily root—Lin Ngau	" 5	百合
Yams—Ta Shu	" 6	山药
English—Young Kan Choi	" 1	山药
Tau	" 1	山药
SELLING.		
T/T	" 3/4	
Demand	" 3/5	
30 d/s.	" 3/4	
60 d/s.	" 3/8	
4 m/s.	" 3/1	
T/T Shanghai	" Nom.	
T/T Singapore	" 12934	
T/T Japan	" 14012	
T/T India	" Nom.	
T/T San Francis-	" 724	
T/T Java	" 16414	
T/T Marks	" Nom.	
T/T France	" 416	
Demand, Paris	" 4164	
BUYING.		
4 m/s. L/C	" 3/14	
4 m/s. D/P	" 3/14	
6 m/s. L/C	" 3/24	
30 d/s. Sydney &	" 3/24	
Melbourne	" 734	
30 d/s. San Fran-	" 734	
isco & New York	" 734	
4 m/s. Marks	" Nom.	
4 m/s. France	" 431	
6 m/s. France	" 436	
Demand, Germany	" 734	
Demand, New York	" 734	
Demand, Bombay	" Nom.	
T/T Calcutta	" Nom.	
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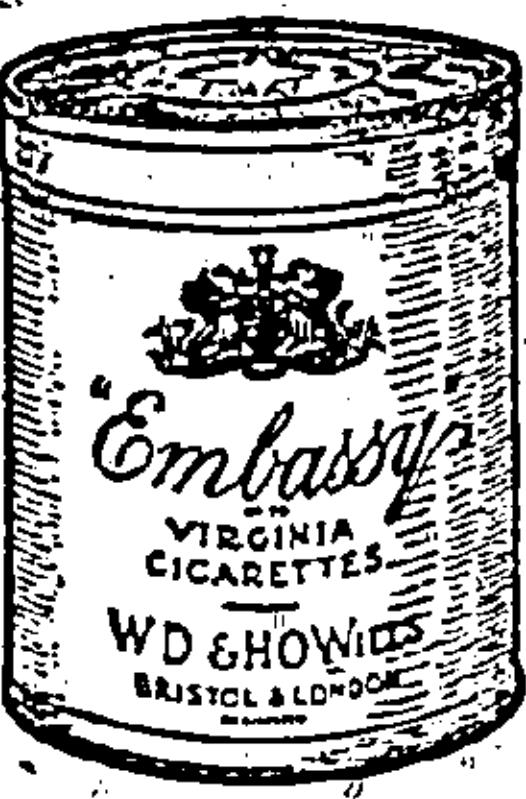
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Many Hot and Successful Fights in Cambrai Offensive.

British Army Headquarters in France, Sunday, November 25.—The work of British airplanes during the present offensive forms a chapter in itself. Despite the vile weather, which compelled them to operate within in a few feet of the ground, they kept steadily at their task and rendered invaluable assistance, both in reconnaissance and offensive operations. There have been almost continual battles between German infantry and British airmen flying as low as thirty feet above the ground. Never before has this kind of warfare been carried out on such a large scale. Pilots have attacked infantry and gun crews indiscriminately wherever they encountered them, and have inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy with bombs and machine guns.

The nature of the fighting may be realised from the experience of a British pilot whose machine was literally shot to pieces by rifle and machine-gun fire and who finally crashed down behind his own lines with ten bullet holes through his clothing, although he himself was unharmed. Another young airman yesterday presented himself at headquarters after having been shot down for the third time within two days. He was delighted over his experience and immediately applied for another machine so that he might go out again.

One aviator attacked a column of German infantry marching in close formation and buried two high-power bombs directly among them. The troops scattered, and the airmen whirled away to see two banks of dead about huge craters which the bombs had torn in the road. There were innumerable cases of airmen successfully bombing objectives, troop transports, and gun crews. A large number of artillery or tanks have been wiped

out either by machine-gun fire at close range or by bombs.

Many of the airmen had miraculous escapes from death, and some have gone to swell the company of brave men who have given their lives for their country. Among the hairbreadth escapes reported is that of an aviator whose machine was torn to pieces while he was fighting German infantry with his machine-gun. He was caught in the shell-fire and the wings of his machine were shot away. Fortunately, he was flying only twenty or thirty feet above the ground and close to his own lines. He fell in No Man's Land and was unhurt. He immediately came under rifle and machine-gun fire, but he found a German rifle with some ammunition and engaged the enemy singlehanded. As he fired he worked his way back until he reached one of his own patrols.

There is not much humour in fighting of this nature, but one incident occurred which is making the British air service laugh. One of the youngest British airmen was flying at a low altitude when four enemy machine-guns opened on him. He swooped down and shot three of his opponents as he swept by. The fourth machine-gun kept firing, and the aviator, in a spirit of boyish mischief, leaped over the side of his car and wriggled his fingers in joyous derision at the German. Just as he was in the midst of this interesting performance his opponent put a bullet squarely through the palm of the aviator's open hand. The aviator presented himself at a dressing station, and when questioned admitted the truth, with crestfallen face. His consolation for his wound was roars of laughter and advice to be more polite to a Boche in the future.

The Fujita Bank.

The Fujita Bank, capitalised at Y10,000,000 (Y5,000,000 paid up), was opened to business on the 10th instant, in the premises which have lately been completed for it at 4 Ohcine, Imashita, Osaka.

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Parcels for Greece cannot be accepted for transmission unless accompanied by a special permit issued by the British Minister at Athens.

Arrangements have been made for the transmission of parcels to the United Kingdom via Canada.

The rates of postage are as follows:

Parcel not over 3 lbs... 90 cents
Do. 7 lbs... \$1.80
Do. 11 lbs... 2.70

No insurance can be effected on parcels sent by this route.

IMPORT PROHIBITIONS.

The public are informed that the undeclared articles are prohibited from importation into the United Kingdom, either by letter post or by parcel post.

Gold manufactured or unmanufactured including gold coin and articles containing parts of or containing gold; all manufacturers of silver, other than silver watches and silver watch cases; Jewellery of any description.

Letters and parcels containing such articles cannot therefore be accepted for transmission by the Post Office.

The Parcel Post service to Aden (except in respect of parcels for military and naval addresses) has been suspended.

FRENCH PARCEL REGULATIONS.

The Public are informed that the new regulations adopted by the French Customs insist that senders of parcels addressed in France, Conform and Anger must fill in the column of the regular Customs Declaration particularly, and exactly, omitting none of the headings comprised therein.

It is furthermore absolutely necessary to show in the aforesaid declaration (1) The full name and address of the addressee (2) Statements as to whether the contents are intended for State supplies or not.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILED OUTWARD.

Tai O—Week days, 5 p.m.
Tai Po—Week days, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.
Cheung Chow—Week days, 7.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Shatin, Shatik and Sheungshui—Week days, 4 p.m.
Aberdeen, Au'an, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, San Tin and Stanley—Week days, 4.30 p.m.
Canton, Samshui and Wuchow—Week days, 7.30 a.m.; Registration 3 p.m.; Letters 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Macau—Week days, 7.15 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.
Kowloon—Week days, 6 p.m. Except Saturdays, Sundays, 5 p.m.
Amoy and Channel—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 4 p.m.
Shantou—Week days, 10 a.m., 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN BREWERY P.O.

Macau—Week days, 7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.
Lok Ma Chau—Week days, 7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 p.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.
Tai Ping Tun—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 p.m.; Holidays, 8.30 p.m.
Shak Li—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Kowloon—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.
Kumhoek—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.
Keung—Week days, 4 p.m.; Sundays, 4 p.m.; Holidays, 4 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 11th, 30 m. No return from Japanese stations. Pressure has increased slightly at Vladivostok and Weihaiwei, and decreased slightly moderately at other reporting stations. The anticyclone is moving to the north eastward, and is therefore central over the Sea of Japan this morning.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to day, 0.00 incld. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches against an average of 27 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO MORROW.

District	Forecast
1. Hongkong to Gap Rock	N. & N.E. Wind fresh fair.
2. Formosa Channel	N. winds, fresh

3. South coast of China between H.K. and Lamock	The same as No. 1.
4. South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, January 11, a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Direction	Force	Force
Vostock	6 a	30.38	23	0 b			
Balestite	3 a						
Tokio							
Macassar							
Kagoshima							
Oshima							
Naha							
Bonin Is.							
Whaiwai	6 a	30.37	30	33	0 b		
Hankow							
Liehong							
Kinkiang							
Changsha							
Shanghai							
Gutiaff							
Sharp P.							
Amoy							
Swatow							
Taihoku							
Taichu							
Kooham							
Pidores							
Canton							
Hongkong							
Gap Rock							
Macao							
Wuchow							
Patkoh							
Hethow	7 a	30.18	50	24	naw	1 o	
Phuilen							
Tourane							
C. St. J.							
Aspari							
Desapri							
Macao							
Lapach							
Tsobien							
Dollo							
Singapore							
Gum	4.20	29.92	73	ne	1 r		
Lancon	6	29.78	77	95	aw	6	

G. W. JEFFRIES—Chief Assistant, Observatory, Jan. 11, 1918

1 Barometer, reduced to 30 inches Fahrenheit on the level of sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, a fine sky, a detached cloud, a drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, h. b. l. lightning, an overcast, passing shower, a squall, rain, snow, thunder, visibility, w. dew wet.

6 Rainfall, in inches per hour.

7 H.M. Observatory, Jan. 11, 1918

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date

Barometer 30.18 30.12 30.14

Temperature 57 56 61

Humidity 42 57 43

Wind Direction E. N. N.E.

Force 5 6 1

Weather

Rain 0.00 0.00 0.00

Haze 0.00 0.00 0.00

Clouds 11.5 11.5 11.5

Wind 11.5 11.5 11.5

Sea 11.5 11.5 11.5

Clouds 11.5 11.5 11.5

Wind 11.5 11.5 1